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IS-706 NIMS INTRASTATE MUTUAL AID, AN INTRODUCTION NOW ONLINE

Course: IS-706, NIMS INTRASTATE MUTUAL AID, AN INTRODUCTION

Course Information: This FEMA, web-based course is designed to provide state, local, and tribal emergency response and coordination personnel, an introduction to NIMS intrastate mutual aid. The course discusses the purpose and benefits of mutual aid and assistance, the emphasis that NIMS places on mutual aid and assistance, and explains how to develop mutual aid and assistance agreements and mutual aid operational plans.

Before beginning this course, you should print out a copy of your jurisdiction's mutual aid agreement(s). If you do not have a copy, then you should print out a model agreement from the Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC) located <http://emacweb.org/>. The *NEMA Model Intrastate Agreement* is also included in Lesson 1 of the course for your use.

Pre-requisite: The prerequisite for this course is IS-700: National Incident Management System (NIMS), An Introduction.

Course Length: The overall length of the course will vary for each individual. IS706 takes approximately 2.5 hours to complete.

Audience: The primary audience is composed of state, tribal and local emergency response and coordination personnel.

Course Objectives: After completing the course, participants will be able to:

- Describe the purpose, benefits, and uses of mutual aid and assistance.
- Explain how mutual aid and assistance agreements relate to NIMS.
- Identify what information should be included in a mutual aid and assistance agreement.
- Explain the process for developing mutual aid and assistance agreements.
- Identify the elements of a mutual aid and assistance operational plan.

Course Completion: The course is available at <http://training.fema.gov/emiweb/is/is706.asp>. When you have completed the course, you can take the online test, fill out the student information and submit the test for scoring. FEMA's Emergency Management Institute's (EMI) Independent Study Office will notify you via email of your successful completion of the course and a link will be included in the email for you to access and print your course certificate.

Questions: Please contact the course manager, Maria Moore at (301) 447-1501 or maria.moore@dhs.gov.